

## FAREWELL DINNER TO MR. C. AYLETT ASHBY

Prominent Attorney Who Is to  
Enter Ministry Guest of Lawyers  
and Court Officers.

### PRESENTED WITH LOVING CUP

Attorney B. B. Semmes Makes Presentation Speech and Mr. Ashby Replies With Eloquent Address—Clerk of Courts D. G. Smith Presides as Toastmaster.

Mr. C. Aylett Ashby, who will leave tomorrow for Alexandria, Va., where he will enter the Episcopal Theological Seminary of Virginia to study for the ministry, was given a farewell dinner at the Warwick hotel last night by the lawyers and court officers of the city. During the evening his hosts presented him with a handsome silver loving cup as a token of the high regard which they entertain for him. The cup bears this simple inscription: "Presented to C. Aylett Ashby by the bench and bar of Newport News."

Attorney B. B. Semmes presented the cup with an eloquent address, in which he spoke of Mr. Ashby in the highest terms. Mr. Ashby was deeply affected by the token and he replied in a happy little speech. He warmly thanked his hosts for both the token of esteem and the farewell dinner.

Before the banquet began, Mayor Maryus Jones invoked the Divine blessing upon the gathering. Clerk of Courts D. G. Smith presided as toastmaster and when full justice had been done the menu and cigars had been lighted—it was a "dry" banquet—Mr. Smith called upon several of the attorneys to furnish an impromptu program. Mr. O. D. Batchelor recited "When Malinda Sings," Mr. E. S. Robinson sang a solo and Mr. W. J. Nelms sang "The Holy City" by request. "Lead Him Light," was sung by Mr. C. W. Muller.

The entire company joined in singing "Juanita" and "Au Revoir" and, lastly, "Auld Land Syne." Mr. Ashby was then escorted to his home on Thirty-third street.

Those attending the dinner were: Judge T. J. Barham, Mayor Maryus Jones, and Attorneys R. M. Lett, Charles C. Berkeley, S. Otis Bland, J. A. Masale, W. B. Colonna, George Nelms Wise, W. J. Nelms, Col. J. W. Friend, E. M. Braxton, J. Winston Read, O. D. Batchelor, B. B. Semmes, Allan D. Jones, W. E. Barrett, S. R. Buxton, Stanley Scott, T. J. Christian, E. S. Robinson, C. C. Mitchell and W. T. Moss, Clerk of Courts D. G. Smith, City Sergeant E. W. Milstead, Deputy Clerk of Courts R. E. Marable and Constable C. W. Muller. Judge Clarence W. Robinson was unable to attend on account of illness and Messrs. R. G. Bickford and A. T. Stauffer were out of the city.

### MR. ASHBY RESIGNS AS POLICE COMMISSIONER

Mayor Has Not Announced Whom He Will Appoint to Fill Vacancy—Several Names Mentioned.

Mr. C. Aylett Ashby yesterday tendered his resignation as a member of the board of police commissioners to Mayor Maryus Jones and the resignation was accepted. Mr. Ashby will leave tomorrow for Alexandria, Va., where he will study for the ministry at the Episcopal Theological Seminary of Virginia.

Mayor Jones has not yet announced who he will appoint to succeed Mr. Ashby. Sometime ago the name of Mr. Robert W. Perkins was mentioned in connection with the appointment, but he said that he would not accept the post. Then Mr. W. R. Colonna was talked of for the appointment and later Col. J. W. Friend and Attorney E. S. Robinson were discussed as probable appointees to the board.

A joint session of the council will have to be called to act upon the appointment of a new commissioner by Mayor Jones. It is probably that the appointment will be made within the next two weeks.

### Refused to Save His Former Wife.

(By Associated Press.)  
CLEVELAND, OHIO, Sept. 20.—Rather than loan his former wife \$500 which would have kept her from going to prison, Jacob Fickel, a brewer, saw her sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for two years for embezzlement here today. Sentence was suspended and Mrs. Fickel's son will attempt to raise the money and save his mother.

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### Social Personal

Mr. Leroy F. Boggs returned yesterday from Alderson, West Virginia, where he spent two weeks.

Mr. C. A. Robertson will leave this evening for Charleston, S. C., where he will engage in business. Mr. Robertson's family will remain in this city for the present.

Mr. Robert von Erickson has returned from a business trip to his former home in Fredericksburg, Va.

Mr. J. L. Humphries is the guest of his brother, Mr. C. Humphries, in this city.

Mr. Glover Hill will leave today for Richmond, where he will enter the University College of Medicine.

Messrs. Phillip Murray and Louis Bunting have gone to Washington and Lee University to resume their studies.

Miss Kate Levine, of Norfolk, is visiting her brother, in this city.

Mr. Leon Flourney, who has been spending the summer in this city, has returned to the University of Virginia to resume his studies.

Miss Gertrude Fillmore has returned from Isle of Wight county, where she spent two weeks with relatives.

Mr. William Morgan, who has been visiting in this city, has returned to his home in Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. A. W. Post left yesterday for Richmond to enter college.

Mr. Frank Ast has gone to Lexington, Va., to enter Washington and Lee University.

Miss Lucy Curtis will leave this week for Richmond to resume her studies at the Woman's College.

Mr. Martin Hiden, who has been spending the summer in this city, will leave this week for the University of Virginia to resume his studies.

Mrs. W. F. Wilkinson, of Georgia, is the guest of her mother-in-law, Mrs. Mary Wilkinson, on Twenty-ninth street.

Miss Mary Thompson has returned to her home in Washington after visiting Miss Edna Kellum, 746 Twenty-seventh street. Mrs. Charles McDonald, of Twenty-seventh street entertained in honor of Miss Thompson last Thursday evening.

Mrs. Mary C. Reynolds returned yesterday from Philadelphia, where she went to attend the wedding of her son, Mr. Richard Reynolds, and Miss Sarah Belfeene Effinger last Wednesday.

### URGES ACTION AGAINST EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES

District Attorney at Pittsburg Brings Schoenville Case to Attention of Governors.

(By Associated Press.)  
PITTSBURG, PA., Sept. 20.—Again urging them to take some action against the employment agencies that furnished men to the Pressed Steel Car Company at Schoenville during the recent strike there, United States District Attorney John J. Jordan tonight sent to Governor Stuart, of Pennsylvania, and Governor Hughes, of New York, a copy of the testimony taken during the federal investigation of conditions at the plant during the strike and sent them a letter recommending that charges against employment agencies of New York and Pennsylvania be pressed at once. The governors are told that the federal government hopes that the matter will not be overlooked.

It is alleged the imported workmen were brought here without being told exactly where they were going.

**New Clothing Establishment.**  
Mr. E. Meyerson, proprietor of a new "gent's" clothing and furnishings establishment at 2916 Washington avenue, threw open his doors to the public Saturday. The store room has been remodeled and handsomely fitted up in mission oak. A handsome show case runs nearly the entire length of the store. The place is stocked with an up-to-date line of clothing and furnishings for men. Mr. Meyerson, whose advertisement appears in another column, states that he will run a strictly one price house.

**Work on Steamer Hampton.**  
Rapid progress is being made at the shipyard in the rebuilding of the Old Dominion steamer Hampton, which was burned to the water's edge in Norfolk several months ago. The vessel will be ready to leave the yard within a comparatively short time.

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### METHODISTS MEET HERE

Virginia Conference Will Be Held at  
Trinity Church in November.

WILL BE IN SESSION SEVEN DAYS

Besides the Assigning of the Ministers in the Conference to Various Churches, Delegates to the General Conference Are to be Named.

The Virginia Methodist Conference will meet in this city on November 10 and will remain in session for about seven days, this being the long term of the conference meeting.

It is expected that between 600 and 700 delegates and ministers will attend the conference and arrangements for entertaining the visitors soon will be made by the local Methodist ministers and church workers. The sessions of the conference will be held in the Trinity Methodist church.

Besides assigning the several hundred pastors under the conference to the various churches in the state, delegates to the national conference are to be elected. The programs for the business sessions will be worked out in the near future.

This will be the second time that the Virginia Conference has been held in Newport News, the conference having first met here soon after the completion of the Trinity church building about nine years ago.

### AT THE ACADEMY

Surely it must be a trying situation for an actor and an actress when persons here and there in the audience greet the greatest scene of a fine drama with a laugh. And yet this is not an unusual occurrence at the local Academy of Music. It happened again last night when Burton L. King (Strongheart) and Miss Bessie Wilkes (Dorothy Nelson) were at the touching climax of the last act of "Strongheart," the college play by William C. deMille. The laughs of those few people in the very small audience who were not capable of appreciating the dramatic art almost wholly spoiled the entire scene, a scene in which both Mr. King and Miss Wilkes did some really great acting.

Barring a few weak spots in the cast, the production of "Strongheart" was a good one. Mr. King appeared to splendid advantage in the title role, reading his lines clearly and distinctly and acting convincingly. Miss Wilkes shared honors with him in the best scenes. Mr. Fred Shepherd, as "Billy" Saunders, a roving, jovial senior, won the audience at the start. Walter Connolly as Dick Livingston, "the greatest halfback in the country" and Richard Stoneleigh, as Frank Nelson, captain of the football team, and Charles Doherty, as Reade, a "grind," are deserving of special mention. Charles Henderson, who played in the dual role of Buckley, the head coach, and Black Eagle, a messenger, was strong in each part and more especially in the scene between the halves of the big football game. The production was elaborately staged.

**"The Climax."**  
Joseph Weber's production of "The Climax," a comedy drama with incidental music which made a great hit in New York, will be presented at the Academy of Music Thursday night. The local management expects this attraction to be one of the treats of the season and is advertising it as "personally guaranteed." In other words, if any patron thinks the show is not what it has been "cracked up to be" he can get his money back at the box office.

The advance sale of seats begins this morning.

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Ball Players From Across James River to Meet Picked Team of This City.

Arrangements were concluded yesterday for a series of three games between the fast Smithfield team and a nine picked from the athletics and North Enders, of the Peninsula League. The first game of the series will be played at the Casino park Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock and the second will be played at Smithfield next Monday afternoon. The place for the playing of the third game has not yet been decided upon. The local team will present a very strong line-up and the players expected to take the Smithfield boys into camp here Thursday. The four best sluggers of the Athletics—Land, Read, Roaten and Patton—will be on the team. Land will play third base, Roaten will catch, Read will be in center field and Patton will hold down first base. Tate Hill, of North End, will play second base, and Harry Shawen, of the same team, will play right field. Claude Wolf will be at short-stop and "Butch" Hautz will be in left field. Aiken, of North End, will pitch.

### SENTENCED TO THREE YEARS IN PENITENTIARY

William Minns, Colored, Gets Long Term for Malicious Wounding—Try Murder Case Tomorrow.

In the Corporation Court yesterday the jury in the case of William Minns, alias Sam Minns, a negro, charged with malicious wounding, returned a verdict of "guilty" and fixed the punishment of the prisoner at three years in the State penitentiary. Minns' case was taken up immediately after Judge Barham convened court at 10 o'clock in the morning. The negro had no attorney and Judge Barham appointed Mr. Stanley Scott to defend him.

The charge of William Smith, colored, with robbery from the person, was set for trial yesterday, but owing to the failure of the witnesses for the defense to put in an appearance at the time set for the trial, the case was continued until the next term of the court.

Two cases are set for trial today. One is that of Andrew Collins, a negro, charged with housebreaking. The other is that of L. A. Laine, the young Danville man, who is charged with maliciously wounding James Knight, an Isle of Wight farmer, here ten days ago.

Tomorrow the case of Ralph Whiting, colored, charged with the murder of Walter Fleming, also colored, will be taken up.

### ST. VINCENT'S SQUAD HAS FIRST PRACTICE

Many Candidates Apply for Places and Team Should Be Strong One.

The St. Vincent's football squad held its first preliminary practice of the season last night on the Casino grounds. About 25 candidates were out of work. In this number are some of the best players in the city and indications are that the team will be an unusually strong one.

Before the practice, the squad met at Monfalcone's news stand and elected William Noble, tackle of last year's team, as captain for this season.

### HAD WEEPING ECZEMA

Face and Neck were Raw—Terrible Itching, Inflammation and Soreness—All Treatments Failed.

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